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MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, 29/01/2024 – 6:30PM

2 Sam. 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13

TUESDAY, 30/01/2024 - 6:30AM/6:30PM

2 Sam. 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 – 19:3 / Ps. 86:1-6 / Mk. 5:21– 43

WEDNESDAY, 31/01/2024- 6:30AM

2 Sam. 24:2, 9-17 / Ps. 32:1-2, 5-7 / Mk. 6:1-6 (John Bosco)

THURSDAY, 01/02/2024 - 7:00PM

1 Kgs. 2:1-4, 10-12 / Ps. 1 Chron. 29:10-12 / Mk. 6:7-13

FRIDAY, 02/02/2024 - 6:30AM

Mal. 3:1-4 / Ps. 24:7-10 / He. 2:14-18 / Lk. 2:22-40 (The

Presentation of the Lord)

SATURDAY, 03/02/2024 - 7:00AM

1 Kgs. 43:4-13 / Ps. 119:9-14 / Mk. 6:30-34 (St. Blase)

NEXT SUNDAY FEBRUARY 4, 2024 – 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (CYCLE B)

7:00PM — VIGIL MASS

6.30AM – 1ST MASS

8.00AM – 2ND MASS

10.00AM – 3RD MASS

PLEASE ALL PARISHIONERS SHOULD TAKE NOTE

1ST READING - JOB 7:1-4,6-7

RES. PSALM - Ps. 147:1-6

2ND READING: 1 COR. 9:16-19,22-23

GOSPEL - MK. 1:29-39

Prophet: Who Do You Please and In Whose Name Do You Speak?

Dear People of God, last weekend we reflected on our call to be fishers of men. As we celebrate the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B), the readings invite us to reflect on the Lord, Our Teacher, in whose name we speak as well as the One we are to please in life. Jesus came as the One who spoke in the name of the Lord, teaching with authority and power. We are exhorted to listen to His voice and adhere to Him above anything else. Such will demonstrate our undivided attention and devotion to pleasing God above all else in life.

In our first reading, from the Book of Deuteronomy, the Lord declares His position on the role of His prophet, one who speaks in His name. God assures us, through the mouth of Moses, that He does not leave His flock untended. As such He announces the coming of a prophet who will speak in the name of God. God chooses prophets from every generation, whose contemporaries must listen to him. The chosen prophet however must speak or say only what God commands. This is why He says: "I will put my words into his mouth, and he shall tell them all I command him". This is to say that to be a spokesperson of God, one must be responsible, disciplined, forthright, and courageous so that when he receives the Word, he goes straight to prophesy what the Lord wants prophesied. We Christians are the chosen prophets of our time by virtue of our Baptism. With our Baptism, we became the Priests, Prophets, and Kings of our age. Our prophetic role is that we speak all the Words that God has put into our mouths. Having been given this mandate, Christians are to be courageous, confident, fearless in carrying out the prophetic mission given to us by God through the Church. The onus lies on each one to listen, pay heed, and be saved. To speak God's Word given to us is our obligation. Whoever will not give heed to God's Word, spoken of in His name, God Himself will require it of him or her.

St Paul, in the second reading, says something about vocation, one's chosen way of life. We may have received our call into married life or celibate life, yet God demands our undivided attention and loyalty in our chosen vocation. He gives some practical advice on the various state of life that we choose. For the unmarried, he or she should be anxious about the affairs of the Lord, how to be holy in body and spirit, and to please the Lord. On the other hand, the interest and the attention of the married are divided among being anxious about worldly affairs, pleasing one's partner, and pleasing God. For our benefit, St Paul exhorts us to promote good order in our chosen vocation or state of life and to secure our undivided devotion to the Lord. Whether married or unmarried, we are all to please God and secure our devotion and loyalty to God. Nothing should stand between us and our God. The Lord must have complete authority in and over our lives. Undivided, faithful loyalty to God in our vocation makes us powerful Christians. We all must live for the love of and at the service of our brethren.

In today's Gospel, Jesus journeys with His disciples to Capernaum to begin His ministry. His teaching is very different from that of the traditional religious teachers because it is accompanied by authoritative action. He fulfills the promise of the prophet who speaks in God's name. He does not communicate the Word of God the way the Rabbis used to: His message is new and is proclaimed with authority. His Word is effective and frees us from the forces of evil that rule us. His word cured a demoniac who proclaimed Him as the Holy One of God from Nazareth. Jesus rebukes the demon to be

quiet and to leave the man while the people present are astonished by the cure as they were by His teaching. They realized that God had entered into their lives in a very powerful way. The disciples were witnesses to all this just as we too have the opportunity to meet and encounter Jesus who is powerful in word and deed in our liturgical celebrations. Both Jesus' word and deed are invitations to believe in him.

Jesus is an authority in His teaching: He did not need to refer to Scriptures or Oral Tradition about the Law and God. He referred directly to Himself because He is the Christ, the Son of God. This is why He does not need outside sources to support His teaching. He is the source of His teaching. Words, as we know, do not only convey information, they also affect listeners. Words can make the listener discover and feel what is expressed. They do something in the heart of the hearer. Jesus' teaching does not only inform the hearers of the newness of time. He makes them experience it in the healings that He performs. His words are accompanied by concrete actions. What is the effect of our words? Do they hurt or heal, give new life and hope, or discourage and destroy?

In liberating the man who was possessed by an unclean spirit, the unclean spirit tries to prevent Jesus from performing the cure by calling His name, which in Hebrew mentality suggests having control over Jesus. Jesus' command is a strong one. In this new era, Jesus has the authority and power to give orders to the forces of evil. The unclean spirit has to obey and leave the man. This confirms the power of the Word of Jesus which people had already perceived in His teaching. From this miracle, victory is assured of Jesus and His followers. Remarkably, the unclean spirit recognises that Jesus is both human and divine; that He originates from Nazareth, a small village in Galilee; and that He is also the "Holy One of God" because of His intimate relationship with the God of Israel who is Holy. Although the unclean spirit is correct, Jesus does not allow him to make His identity known. He does not qualify to speak His name: for knowledge alone of "who Jesus is" is not enough to speak in His name. It is our faithful devotion to Christ that confers authority from God upon us so that we too can work wonders: for we shall have power to command unclean spirits and they will obey us. Do you qualify to speak in the name of Jesus?

We celebrate and wish all our brethren who celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, special occasions, and thanksgiving in January God's blessings and favours. Congratulations!

We welcome our cherished Students back to school. Dear students, make activities at the Chaplaincy an essential part of your Campus Life. Never forget how and why you are here. Your call is to be Prophets of our time, to serve the Lord and humanity with undivided attention and devotion, and to please God always. Wishing you a successful and blessed academic year. Pax!

Please be reminded to stay well, healthy, and safe. Be not afraid to attend Mass. Remember to observe the safety protocols. Your life is dear to us.

Blessed 2024! Have a Fruitful and Blessed Week!

God bless and keep you safe.

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Pray for Us.

PASTORAL TEAM

Chaplain: Rev. Fr. Dr. Anthony F. Naah – 0249999616
Assisting Priests: Rev. Fr. Dr. Victor Quagraine - 0207024221
Rev. Fr. Timothy Baghrwin SJ—0277154777
Rev. Fr. Richard Antwi Boasiako — 0501154065
CHAPLAINCY MOMO PAY: 097655
CHAPLAINCY WEBSITE: www.knustcatholic.org

READINGS FOR THE DAY

1st Reading: Dt 18:15-20

2nd Reading: 1Cor 7:32-35

Gospel: Mk 1:21-28



General Notices

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

There is Confession every Saturday at 6:00pm. All safety Protocols will be observed.

Notice of Sunday Announcements:

Kindly note that all announcements to be made at Mass on Sunday should reach the Chaplaincy Office latest by noon on Friday. This is to aid in the proper dissemination of information. Parishioners are to kindly take note.

Aged/Homebound/Infirmed Parishioners:

We are appealing to parishioners to furnish the Chaplaincy Office with the names and house addresses of sick, aged, homebound, and infirmed parishioners to enable our Catechists and Eucharistic Ministers visit and give them Communion.

Chaplaincy News Bulletin: Please, sign up to receive News Bulletin from the Chaplaincy.

Dues (Membership) Cards and

Registration: All parishioners who do not have themselves Dues Cards and all those who have not registered should see the Catechists after Mass to help you or come to the Chaplaincy Office to do so. Please take note.

Chaplaincy Momo Pay: The Chaplaincy has acquired a Merchant Sim. Parishioners are advised to make payments of Harvest Levy, Chapel Fund Contributions, etc. through the Merchant ID: 097655 to enjoy less charge.

Dumping of Refuse in front of the Chaplaincy Office:

The Chaplaincy Office is pleading with parishioners (Groups/Societies/Individuals) who are in the habit of dumping refuse in front of the Chaplaincy Office to please use the refuse dump at the back of the building instead of the front view of the office. We hope we will all adhere to this. Thank you.

Collection of Baptismal Cards: The Chaplaincy Office wishes to remind parishioners (Parents and Guardians)

who have their children and wards Baptismal Cards at the office to please come and pick them.

Security Consciousness: Parishioners are being informed to be security conscious when we come to church. Groups/Societies should try to educate their members to be alert but not to create any fear in them. We encourage all parishioners to alert the Ushers of any unwanted behaviour. ***“Say something when you see something”***

Use of Washrooms: We entreat parishioners; both children and adults, to put the washrooms to order and clean after use in order not to inconvenience the next user.

Invitation to Local Council of Churches Prayer Meeting:

Parishioners are invited to this year's Prayer Meeting of the KNUST Local Council of Churches on Sunday, February 11, 2024 at the Victory Baptist Church, Ayigya (Tech. Junction) from 3.00pm to 5.00pm. Please, take note.



FUN FACT

The ONLY Christian church in existence for the first 1,000 years of Christian history was the Roman Catholic Church.

Committees, Groups & Societies

Liturgy Committee: The first Liturgy Committee Meeting of the year 2024 will be held on Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at the Msgr. Opoku-Agyemang Conference Hall at 5.30pm prompt. All members are entreated to be present.

Marriage and Family Life Committee: Parishioners are to take note that there are three (3) Main Marriage Counselling sections. The first session begins tomorrow Monday January 15, 2024 at 5.00pm. All would-be couples who have registered and those yet to register should kindly take note.

Sale of Pedu Magazines: Seminarians from Pedu will be here at the Chaplaincy next Sunday, January 28, 2024 to sell their Magazines. All parishioners are encouraged to patronise it.

Charismatic Renewal (Local): 1. Members are being reminded that today Sunday January 7, 2024, there will be Prayer Meeting at the Chaplaincy here at the usual meeting place. Members are encouraged to be present and on time. 2.

Life in the Spirit Seminar (L.S.S.): Groups and Societies who would like to organise Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS) for their members should kindly contact P.E.T./Mr. Isaac Dwirah Jnr. on 0244090802.

Twì Catechism: It is announced for the information of parishioners that Twì Catechism for all the Sacraments i.e. Baptism, 1st Communion and Confirmation for the year 2024 will be on every Tuesday and Wednesday of the week and it is commencing from Tuesday, February 6, 2024 and Wednesdays February 7, 2024 at the Chaplaincy. Time: 5.00pm to 6.00pm. Please, take note.

Catholic Women Association (CWA): The Catholic Women Association is inviting new members to join them. Interested parishioners are to meet with the President after Mass.

Health Committee: The Chaplaincy Health Committee informs parishioners of its existence and also entreat us to channel our health needs and concerns to the Committee through the contact number

0241133879 (WhatsApp Number) for consideration. These needs and concerns may help the Committee to plan its programme of activities for the year and subsequent years.

Chaplaincy Public Relations Committee: The Chaplaincy Public Relations Committee would like to inform parishioners that we are live on social media. Find and connect with us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn and YouTube. You can also send us a mail on knustcatholicchaplaincy@gmail.com.

Sacred Heart of Jesus and Rosary Confraternity: Parishioners who wish to join the Confraternity are warmly welcome so that we all pray together.

Legion of Mary: The Legion of Mary, Twì and English Praesidia, Virgin Most Powerful and Our Lady of Holy Rosary, meet this and every Wednesday and Thursday at 5.30pm respectively. New and old members are warmly welcome.

Marriage Banns



Mr. Hubert Owusu Boateng, son of Mr. Manu Boateng and Mrs. Faustina Manu Boateng, born at U.S.T., used to reside at KNUST, now residing at Kotei and **Ms. Abigail Nana Akua Osei-Wusu**, daughter of Mr. Osei-Wusu and Mrs. Osei-Wusu, born at Asokwa, now residing at Ahinsan (**3rd Announcement**)

2. Mr. Samuel Okyere Abayie, son of Mr. Samuel Okyere Abayie and Mrs. Veronica Asantewaa Okyere Abayie, born in Kumasi, used to reside at Apemso, now residing in Oulu – Finland, and **Ms. Patience Obeng-Manu**, daughter of Mr. Michael Obeng-Manu and Mrs. Esther Obeng-Manu, born at UST, Kumasi, used to reside at Ahinsan Estate, Kumasi, now residing at Oyarifa, Accra (**2nd Announcement – To be Introduced at all Masses**)

3. Mr. Collins Cudjoe, son of Mr. Thomas A. Cudjoe and Mrs. Veronica Cudjoe, born at Tema New Town now residing in Tema Community 7, and **Ms. Abigail Frimpong**, daughter of Mr. Charles Frimpong and Mrs. Vida Frimpong, born at Wenchi, used to reside at Kumasi, now residing at Juba Villas, Burma Camp, Accra (**2nd Announcement**)

Youth Corner

Youth Mass comes off this and every **Thursday at 7pm**. All Chaplaincy youth should endeavour to attend.

Pax Corner

1. Students' Mass – Students Mass – This and every Tuesday at 6.30pm. Please, all students should take note.

2. Students' Catechism – Students Catechism – This and every Saturday at Room 7 of the Dr. R.P. Baffour Complex at exactly 4.00pm. Students who would want to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, 1st Communion and Confirmation should be part of the Class.

Funeral Announcement

Funeral Announcement: **1.** Mrs. Regina Lilly Loglo, children and family announce the funeral of their husband, father and relative Sir. Kt. Aloysius Kodjo Loglo, a parishioner and a member of the Knights of Marshall as follows: pre-burial Mass on Friday, February 2, 2024 at the Chaplaincy at 7.00am, wake-keeping on Friday, February 2, 2024 at Sovie – V/R., burial Mass at St. Benedict Catholic Church, Sovie at 9.00am, burial follows, final funeral rites on Saturday February 10, 2024 at the KNUST Pool Side Pavement from 12noon to 6.00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday February 11, 2024 at the Chaplaincy at 8.00am, family gathering at the KNUST Swimming Pool Side Pavement from 1.00pm to 6.00pm. All parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family. (**Mrs. Regina Lilly Loglo and her children to be introduced**)

2. We announce the death of Opanin Nana Kwabena Asante Bediako, a parishioner and husband of Mad. Sarah Asante Bediako, also a parishioner. The one-week observation of his death will be held on Sunday February 4, 2024 at his hometown Yonso, near Jamasi from 6.00am to 6.00pm. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.

Sincere Thanks

Mr. Ben. Godfrey Vuore is expressing his sincere thanks to the Chaplain, Parish Welfare Committee, Knights and Ladies of St. John International, Dagaaba Union and parishioners for sympathising and supporting him during his bereavement. He asks for God's blessings for you all.

1. Calendars from Catholic Standard: We have on sale Calendars from the Catholic Standard @ Fifteen Ghana Cedis (GH¢15.00) per a copy. Please, visit the Sales Desk and get your copy.

2. Sale of Books – Inspirational Quotes for Living: Are you down hearted, living to find your purpose and excited about life? Look no further. Grab your copy of Books on Quotes by Prof. Marian Asantewah Nkansah to add colour and flavour to your life. Copies are at the Sales Desk for GH¢30.00.

3. Mist Blower Machines: A parishioner is selling Mist Blower Machines at affordable prices. It is used perfectly for plant spraying and fumigation. Interested parishioners should contact this number: 0558212546 (Maame Nyarko).

4. Vegetables on Sale: 100% Organic (no chemical) Vegetables are available at the Sisters of St. Louis Self-Reliant Project for the needy. Enjoy healthy vegetables and support the needy. Venue: St. Louis Senior High School, behind the School Chapel. Contact: 0244784394.

5. Honey for Sale: A parishioner has some Pure Honey for sale. Contact: 0240776529.

6. Banana Bread: Healthy Banana Bread with seeds and nuts available for sale and delivery as well. Contact – 0243750444.

<u>Harvest 2023 Levies</u>	<u>GH¢</u>
Senior Members/Business Men & Women	500.00
Senior Staff	- 300.00
Junior Staff/House Wife	- 150.00
Tertiary Students-Univ./Poly./Post Sec.	- 50.00
Senior High/Tech. Schools	- 30.00
Junior High/Prim./Kindergarten	- 20.00

Job Opportunity: 1. A parishioner is looking for a female to work as a house help. Please interested persons should contact her on 0202027360 / 0208198270 for help.

2. A vocational school leaver is needed for employment with a Food Service Company. She must live around KNUST, be pleasant and ready to work for long hours. Interested persons must call 0244759985.

3. Louisville Drinking Water: Louisville Drinking Water is looking for a fulltime truck and tricycle drivers to work approximately 48 hours a week, should have at least two years driving experience, required to have a Class 'C' Driver's License, excellent driving skills and must be at least 18 years old. Interested persons should send their applications and CV to the Manager, Louisville Drinking Water, situated at St. Louis Senior High School, Oduom. They also need sales girls/woman. Contact: 0204020362.

4. Insurance Company: A leading General Insurance Company seeks to recruit interested persons as Insurance Sales and Marketing Executives to help drive the Company's sales. The Job location will be Kumasi.

Job Summary: The Insurance Sales and Marketing Executive will sell Vehicle, Home and other types of non-life insurance policies.

Education and Experience: Bachelor's Degree or HND.

Sales experience will be an added advantage.

Interested applicants should call 0559190821 / 0501392199.

Seeking for Job: A parishioner, who has the qualification of a Professional Teacher is searching for a private/government school or even individuals to teach in and around Kotei. Interested persons/institutions may contact 0206744951 or 0595421091.

Luxx Laundry Services: Luxx Laundry Services is equipped with modern machines such as washing machines and dryers that are efficient and provide excellent results. They offer their partners (Management, Staff and Students) the comfort of receiving their laundry the same day of collection, free pick-up and delivery service in and around KNUST. Location: Luxx Laundry Services is located at the Second Floor of the KNUST Jubilee Mall at the Commercial Area and is open 24 hours. Contact them no: 0322067232 or 0501652923 for hassle-free laundry services. Absolute Quality every time.

Admission 1. Catholic Technical Institute (CTI): The Catholic Technical Institute located at Buokrom Estate is admitting fresh students both full time and part time for the following NABPTEX Programme: (a) Air-Condition and Refrigeration (b) Architectural Designing Technology (c) Auto Body Works (d) Auto Mobile Engineering (e) Building Construction Technology (f) Carpentry & Joinery (g) Catering (h) Electronic Engineering Technology (i) Fashion & Design Technology (j) Mechanical Engineering Technology (k) Plumbing & Gas Technology and (l) Welding & Metal Fabrication. Call on these numbers for help: 0209342299/ 0322070702 / 0245024615 / 0244051857.

2. Blessed Trinity Leadership Academy: The FST Sisters of the Archdiocese of Kumasi would like to inform all Catholics (parishioners) that their school, Blessed Trinity Leadership Academy, located at Akokoamong in the Ejisu Municipality is enrolling pupils from the Creche to Basic 9 (JHS 3). They have Day and Boarding facilities and buses that convey the students in the morning to school and in the afternoon to their various destinations. Parishioners are to send their children to the school to be well trained and rooted in the Catholic faith. For further information, please contact (1) the Headmistress – Sr. Theresa Arthur on: 0248149391, (2) the Assistant Head – Sir George on 0248505726, and (3) the Secretary – Madam Benedicta on 0247186619.

House for Rent: 1. A Two-Bedroom apartment with bath, toilet, and kitchen at Nahiniso, closer to Kotei is ready for renting. Interested person should call 0547402059.

2. A 3-bedroom flat with a borehole water facility is available for rent at Appiadu. Interested persons should contact 0243049675.

3. A 3-bedroom flat with kitchen, bath and toilet rooms is ready for occupation at Ayeduase New Site, opposite Rhema Salvation Ministry on the KNUST-Ayeduase Road, suitable for 3 students. Interested persons can call 0244416770 / 0502693796.

4. There is A 2-Bedroom flat for rent at the Affordable Housing Unit at Asokore Mampong. Please, contact Atta Poku on 0246415027 / 0502781310.

Rent Accommodation: A parishioner is in need of a two-bedroom apartment around Maxima, Ayigya, Bomso, Ayeduase, Kotei, or Deduako. Please call on 0504741374 to help.